CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim Amendment Summary

Claims pending

- Before this Amendment: Claims 1-27 and 29-36.
- After this Amendment: Claims 1-3, 5-7, 10, 14-22, 24-26, 29, and 31-32.

Non-Elected, Canceled, or Withdrawn claims: Claims 4, 8-9, 11-13, 23, 27-28, 30, and 33-36.

Amended claims: Claims 1, 5-7, 10, 14-22, 24-26, 29, and 31-32.

New claims: None.

Claims:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions <u>for securing data</u> that, when executed by a computer, performs acts comprising:

obtaining two input polynomials each with degree 5, wherein a first polynomial is nominally described as $a(X) = a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + a_4X^4 + a_5X^5$ and a second polynomial is nominally described as $b(X) = b_0 + b_1X + b_2X^2 + b_3X^3 + b_4X^4 + b_5X^5$ and terms a_5 and b_5 are non-zero values;

computing a product polynomial of the input polynomials, wherein the total number of coefficient multiplication operations is fewer than or equal to seventeen, <u>wherein during the computing, calculating:</u>

$$(a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)(b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + b_5)\,C$$

$$+ (a_1 + a_2 + a_4 + a_5)(b_1 + b_2 + b_4 + b_5)(-C + X^6)$$

$$+ (a_0 + a_1 + a_3 + a_4)(b_0 + b_1 + b_3 + b_4)(-C + X^4)$$

$$+ (a_0 - a_2 - a_3 + a_5)(b_0 - b_2 - b_3 + b_5)(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5 + X^4 - X^3)$$

$$+ (a_0 - a_2 - a_5)(b_0 - b_2 - b_5)(C - X^5 + X^4 - X^3)$$

$$+ (a_0 + a_3 - a_5)(b_0 + b_3 - b_5)(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5)$$

$$+ (a_0 + a_1 + a_2)(b_0 + b_1 + b_2)(C - X^7 + X^6 - 2X^5 + 2X^4 - 2X^3 + X^2)$$

$$+ (a_3 + a_4 + a_5)(b_3 + b_4 + b_5)(C + X^8 - 2X^7 + 2X^6 - 2X^5 + X^4 - X^3)$$

$$+ (a_2 + a_3)(b_2 + b_3)(-2C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)$$

$$+ (a_1 - a_4)(b_1 - b_4)(-C + X^4 - X^5 + X^6)$$

$$+ (a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)(-C + X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + 3X^3 - X^2)$$

$$+ (a_3 + a_4)(b_3 + b_4)(-C - X^8 + 3X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + X^3)$$

$$+ (a_0 + a_1)(b_0 + b_1)(-C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - 3X^4 + 2X^3 - X^2 + X)$$

$$+ (a_4 + a_5)(b_4 + b_5)(-C + X^9 - X^8 + 2X^7 - 3X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)$$

$$+ a_0 b_0 (-3C + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3 - X + 1)$$

$$+ a_1 b_1 (3C - X^7 - X^5 + X^4 - 3X^3 + 2X^2 - X)$$

$$+ a_4 b_4 (3C - X^9 + 2X^8 - 3X^7 + X^6 - X^5 - X^3)$$

$$+ a_5 b_5 (-3C + X^{10} - X^9 + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3)$$

to compute the product polynomial;

reporting results of the computing, whereby the computed results facilitate data security.

2. **(Original)** A medium as recited in claim 1 further comprising repeating the obtaining and the computing.

3. **(Original)** A medium as recited in claim 1 further comprising:

selecting a pair of polynomials from a collection of pairs and providing the selected polynomials to the obtaining;

repeating the selecting, obtaining, and computing.

4. **(Canceled)**

5. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [4] 1, wherein the variable X is replaced by its negative (−X) and the odd-indexed coefficients, a_1, a_3, a_5, b_1, b_3, b_5, are replaced by their negatives.

6. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [4] 1, wherein the computing is performed in a finite field of characteristic 2, with each even coefficient replaced by zero and each odd coefficient replaced by one.

7.   (Currently Amended) A medium as recited in claim [4] $\underline{1}$, wherein the computing is performed in a finite field of characteristic 3, with each coefficient in claim 4 replaced by its modulo 3 image 0, 1 or −1.

8.   (Canceled)

9.   (Canceled)

10.   (Currently Amended) A computing device <u>for securing data</u> comprising:

an audio/visual output ;

a computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs acts comprising:

obtaining two input polynomials each with degree [≤] 5, wherein a first polynomial is nominally described as $a(X) = a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + a_4X^4 + a_5X^5$ and a second polynomial is nominally described as $b(X) = b_0 + b_1X + b_2X^2 + b_3X^3 + b_4X^4 + b_5X^5$ and terms a_5 and b_5 are non-zero values;

computing a product polynomial of the input polynomials, wherein the total number of coefficient multiplication operations is fewer than or equal to seventeen, <u>wherein during the computing, calculating:</u>

$$\underline{(a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)\,(b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + b_5)\;C}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_1 + a_2 + a_4 + a_5)\,(b_1 + b_2 + b_4 + b_5)\,(-C + X^6)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_1 + a_3 + a_4)\,(b_0 + b_1 + b_3 + b_4)\,(-C + X^4)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 - a_2 - a_3 + a_5)\,(b_0 - b_2 - b_3 + b_5)\,(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5 + X^4 -}$$
$$\underline{X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 - a_2 - a_5)\,(b_0 - b_2 - b_5)\,(C - X^5 + X^4 - X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_3 - a_5)\,(b_0 + b_3 - b_5)\,(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_1 + a_2)\,(b_0 + b_1 + b_2)\,(C - X^7 + X^6 - 2X^5 + 2X^4 - 2X^3 + X}$$
$$\underline{^2)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_3 + a_4 + a_5)\,(b_3 + b_4 + b_5)\,(C + X^8 - 2X^7 + 2X^6 - 2X^5 + X^4 - X}$$
$$\underline{^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_2 + a_3)\,(b_2 + b_3)\,(-2C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_1 - a_4)\,(b_1 - b_4)\,(-C + X^4 - X^5 + X^6)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_1 + a_2)\,(b_1 + b_2)\,(-C + X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + 3X^3 - X^2)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_3 + a_4)\,(b_3 + b_4)\,(-C - X^8 + 3X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_1)\,(b_0 + b_1)\,(-C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - 3X^4 + 2X^3 - X^2 + X)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_4 + a_5)\,(b_4 + b_5)\,(-C + X^9 - X^8 + 2X^7 - 3X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_0\,b_0\,(-3C + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3 - X + 1)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_1\,b_1\,(3C - X^7 - X^5 + X^4 - 3X^3 + 2X^2 - X)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_4\,b_4\,(3C - X^9 + 2X^8 - 3X^7 + X^6 - X^5 - X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_5\,b_5\,(-3C + X^{10} - X^9 + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3)}$$

to compute the product polynomial;

reporting results of the computing, whereby the computed results facilitate data security.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [11] 1, wherein the computing is performed in a finite field of characteristic 3, with each coefficient in claim 4 replaced by its modulo 3 image 0, 1 or −1.

15. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [11] 1 further comprising repeating the obtaining and the computing.

16. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [11] 1 further comprising:

selecting a pair of polynomials from a collection of one or more pairs of polynomials and providing the selected polynomials to the obtaining;

repeating the selecting, obtaining, and computing.

17. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [11] 1, wherein the total number of coefficient multiplication operations performed during the computing is fewer than or equal to seventeen.

18. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [11] 1, wherein the two input polynomials are representative of integers base R and a length n and wherein $X = R$ in the calculating.

19. **(Currently Amended)** A medium as recited in claim [11] 1, wherein C is zero.

20. **(Currently Amended)** A <u>computer-implemented</u> method <u>for securing data</u> comprising:

obtaining two input polynomials with six terms each, wherein a first polynomial is nominally described as $a(X) = a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + a_4X^4 + a_5X^5$ and a second polynomial is nominally described as $b(X) = b_0 + b_1X + b_2X^2 + b_3X^3 + b_4X^4 + b_5X^5$ and terms a_5 and b_5 are non-zero values;

computing a product polynomial of the input polynomials, wherein the total number of coefficient multiplication operations is fewer than or equal to seventeen, <u>wherein during the computing, calculating:</u>

$$\underline{(a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)(b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + b_5)\ C}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_1 + a_2 + a_4 + a_5)(b_1 + b_2 + b_4 + b_5)(-C + X^6)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_0 + a_1 + a_3 + a_4)(b_0 + b_1 + b_3 + b_4)(-C + X^4)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_0 - a_2 - a_3 + a_5)(b_0 - b_2 - b_3 + b_5)(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5 + X^4 - }$$
$$\underline{X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_0 - a_2 - a_5)(b_0 - b_2 - b_5)(C - X^5 + X^4 - X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_0 + a_3 - a_5)(b_0 + b_3 - b_5)(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_0 + a_1 + a_2)(b_0 + b_1 + b_2)(C - X^7 + X^6 - 2X^5 + 2X^4 - 2X^3 + X}$$
$$\underline{^2)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_3 + a_4 + a_5)(b_3 + b_4 + b_5)(C + X^8 - 2X^7 + 2X^6 - 2X^5 + X^4 - X}$$
$$\underline{^3)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_2 + a_3)(b_2 + b_3)(-2C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_1 - a_4)(b_1 - b_4)(-C + X^4 - X^5 + X^6)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)(-C + X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + 3X^3 - X^2)}$$

$$\underline{+ (a_3 + a_4)(b_3 + b_4)(-C - X^8 + 3X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$+ (a_0 + a_1)(b_0 + b_1)(-C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - 3X^4 + 2X^3 - X^2 + X)$$

$$+ (a_4 + a_5)(b_4 + b_5)(-C + X^9 - X^8 + 2X^7 - 3X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)$$

$$+ a_0\, b_0\,(-3C + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3 - X + 1)$$

$$+ a_1\, b_1\,(3C - X^7 - X^5 + X^4 - 3X^3 + 2X^2 - X)$$

$$+ a_4\, b_4\,(3C - X^9 + 2X^8 - 3X^7 + X^6 - X^5 - X^3)$$

$$+ a_5\, b_5\,(-3C + X^{10} - X^9 + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3)$$

to compute the product polynomial;

reporting results of the computing, whereby the computed results facilitate data security.

21.   (Currently Amended) A   computer-implemented   method   as recited in claim 20 further comprising repeating the obtaining and the computing.

22.   (Currently Amended) A   computer-implemented   method   as recited in claim 20 further comprising:

selecting a pair of polynomials from a collection of one or more pairs of polynomials and providing the selected polynomials to the obtaining;

repeating the selecting, obtaining, and computing.

23.   (Canceled)

24.   (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-implemented</u> method as recited in claim [23] <u>20</u>, wherein the variable X is replaced by its negative (−X) and the odd-indexed coefficients, a_1, a_3, a_5, b_1, b_3, b_5, are replaced by their negatives.

25.   (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-implemented</u> method as recited in claim [23] <u>20</u>, wherein the computing is performed in a finite field of characteristic 2, with each even coefficient replaced by zero and each odd coefficient replaced by one.

26.   (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-implemented</u> method as recited in claim [23] <u>20</u>, wherein the computing is performed in a finite field of characteristic 3, with each coefficient in claim 4 replaced by its modulo 3 image 0, 1 or −1.

27.   (Canceled)

28.   (Canceled)

29. **(Currently Amended)** A system facilitating cryptographic security, the system comprising:

a memory comprising a set of computer program instructions; and

a processor coupled to the memory, the processor being configured to execute the computer program instructions, which comprise:

obtaining two input polynomials with six terms each, wherein a first polynomial is nominally described as $a(X) = a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + a_4X^4 + a_5X^5$ and a second polynomial is nominally described as $b(X) = b_0 + b_1X + b_2X^2 + b_3X^3 + b_4X^4 + b_5X^5$ and terms a_5 and b_5 are non-zero values;

computing a product polynomial of the input polynomials, wherein the total number of coefficient multiplication operations is fewer than or equal to seventeen, wherein during the computing, calculating:

$$\underline{(a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)\,(b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + b_5)\,C}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_1 + a_2 + a_4 + a_5)\,(b_1 + b_2 + b_4 + b_5)\,(-C + X^6)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_1 + a_3 + a_4)\,(b_0 + b_1 + b_3 + b_4)\,(-C + X^4)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 - a_2 - a_3 + a_5)\,(b_0 - b_2 - b_3 + b_5)\,(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5 + X^4 -}$$

$$\underline{X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 - a_2 - a_5)\,(b_0 - b_2 - b_5)\,(C - X^5 + X^4 - X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_3 - a_5)\,(b_0 + b_3 - b_5)\,(C - X^7 + X^6 - X^5)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_1 + a_2)\,(b_0 + b_1 + b_2)\,(C - X^7 + X^6 - 2X^5 + 2X^4 - 2X^3 + X}$$

$$\underline{^2)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_3 + a_4 + a_5)\,(b_3 + b_4 + b_5)\,(C + X^8 - 2X^7 + 2X^6 - 2X^5 + X^4 - X}$$

$$\underline{^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_2 + a_3)\,(b_2 + b_3)\,(-2C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_1 - a_4)\,(b_1 - b_4)\,(-C + X^4 - X^5 + X^6)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_1 + a_2)\,(b_1 + b_2)\,(-C + X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + 3X^3 - X^2)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_3 + a_4)\,(b_3 + b_4)\,(-C - X^8 + 3X^7 - 2X^6 + 2X^5 - 2X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_0 + a_1)\,(b_0 + b_1)\,(-C + X^7 - X^6 + 2X^5 - 3X^4 + 2X^3 - X^2 + X)}$$

$$\underline{+\,(a_4 + a_5)\,(b_4 + b_5)\,(-C + X^9 - X^8 + 2X^7 - 3X^6 + 2X^5 - X^4 + X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_0\,b_0\,(-3C + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3 - X + 1)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_1\,b_1\,(3C - X^7 - X^5 + X^4 - 3X^3 + 2X^2 - X)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_4\,b_4\,(3C - X^9 + 2X^8 - 3X^7 + X^6 - X^5 - X^3)}$$

$$\underline{+\,a_5\,b_5\,(-3C + X^{10} - X^9 + 2X^7 - 2X^6 + 3X^5 - 2X^4 + 2X^3)}$$

to compute the product polynomial;

reporting results of the computing, whereby the computed results facilitate data security.

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30. **(Canceled)**

31. **(Currently Amended)** A system as recited in claim [30] 29, wherein the variable X is replaced by its negative (−X) and the odd-indexed coefficients, a_1, a_3, a_5, b_1, b_3, b_5, are replaced by their negatives.

32. **(Currently Amended)** A system as recited in claim [30] 29, wherein the computing is performed in a finite field of characteristic 2, with each even coefficient replaced by zero and each odd coefficient replaced by one.

33. **(Canceled)**

34. **(Canceled)**

35. **(Canceled)**

36. **(Canceled)**